

MEMORANDUM FOR: Legislative Counsel

SUBJECT : Overseas Employee Health and Medical Services Act

1. Your memorandum dated 30 March 1959 and H.R. 5178, a bill to provide for health and medical services for civilian employees in Government service overseas and their dependents have been reviewed.
2. Under our present legislation we have authority to establish first aid stations and to provide for the services of a nurse when it is not feasible to utilize an existing facility. This authority will be repealed under the provisions of this Act. Since this Agency will always be faced with some security factors that will prevent the use of either local medical facilities or those maintained by another Agency, I assume that the Director, under his other special authorities, could still take appropriate action to secure medical care in particular instances where security is involved.
3. The Office of the Comptroller has no changes or revisions to suggest as it is believed that the Agency can operate under the provisions of the bill as now drafted.

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